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"(c) Yes, except from the Madras Secretariat Service. No qualified candidates were available from that service for recruitment as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers."

SRI M. NARAYANA NAMBIAR :—" How many were recruited by transfer from the Registration department during these years? "

THE HON. SRI S. B. P. PATTABHI RAMA RAO :—" I want notice, Sir."

Investigation of the Krishna-Pennar Project.

* 394 *Q.*—SRI V. RAMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the amount of money so far spent for investigating the Krishna-Pennar Project ; and

(*b*) what is the regular expenditure incurred under this head towards establishment and other things per month?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (*a*) The total expenditure incurred on the investigation of the Krishna-Pennar Project to end of September 1952 is Rs. 26,20,210–13–1 (Works outlay Rs. 16,50,853–7–3 and Establishment, etc., Rs. 9,69,357–5–10).

" (*b*) Rs. 17,000 on an average."

SRI V. RAMA RAO :—" ఇటీవల ఢిల్లీలో గూడా సమస్యపై Technical Experts సమావేశం జరుగుతుందని పత్రికలో పడ్డది. ఈ విషయములో యీ experts కు మన మద్రాసు మంత్రివర్గం ఏమైనా సలహాలు ఇచ్చారా? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI V. SRI KRISHNA :—" ఇరవైఆరులక్షల రూపాయలు ఈ స్కీము తయారుచేయటానికి investigation కు ఖర్చు చేసియున్నారు. కృష్ణనీరు తీర ప్రాంతాలైన తెలుగు ప్రాంతాలలో ఉపయోగపడకుండా ఖర్చుపెట్టినందువల్లనూ తిరిగి దాన్ని మార్చుకోవలసి రావటంవల్లనూ ఈ సొమ్ముఅంతా మట్టిలో కలసిపోయినట్లు అయినది. తిరిగి ప్రతి నెలా కొన్ని వేలు ఖర్చు పెడుతున్నారు. ఇటువంటి ఖర్చులు యీ విధంగా మట్టిపాలు కాకుండా యికమీదటనైనా ప్రభుత్వం సరియైన చర్య తీసుకుంటారా? దాన్ని అరికడతారా? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

9-20 a.m. SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" The Hon. Minister said, Sir, that investigation was made and some amount was expended. May I know whether that investigation was extended to the South Arcot district, and if so, to what extent? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI M. NARAYANASWAMY :—" ఆర్యా, ఈ కృష్ణా - పెన్నారు ప్రాజెక్టు విషయం యీనాడు వివాదాస్పదంగా వుంది. ఇప్పటికే ఎన్నోలక్షల రూపాయలు ఖర్చు పెట్టినతర్వాత యీ project విషయంలో investigation ప్రస్తుతం ఆపుచేశారు. ఇంకను final investigation జరగబోతుంది కాబట్టి, ఈ విషయంలో ప్రభుత్వం ఏమైనా ఆలోచిస్తారా? "

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THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI K. RAMIAH CHOUDARY :—" కృష్ణా - పెన్నారు ప్రాజెక్టు విషయంలో అడిగిన ప్రతిప్రశ్నకుకూడా మంత్రిగారు నోటీసు కావాలని అన్నారు. అలాగు నోటీసు కావాలనే దానిలో ఉద్దేశ్యము ఏమిటో మంత్రిగారు తెలవిస్తారా ? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" If the hon. Member wants to get information on any particular point, he could have put a specific question."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" On a point of roder, Sir. మంత్రిగారు ఇప్పుడు ఒక ప్రశ్నకు సమాధానం ఇస్తే supplementary question ను మళ్ళా allow చేశారు. కాని వారు ఇంగ్లీషులో యిప్పుడు చెప్పిన సమాధానంఏమిటంటే, ఏదైనా specific question స్పష్టంగా answer కావాలనేటట్లయితే, వేరేప్రశ్న వేయాలని చెప్పారు. ఒక question అయినతర్వాత దానికి supplementary question అడుగుతున్నప్పుడు దాన్ని తెలియజేసేటటువంటి సమాధానం చెప్పాలి. తెలుగులో వేసిన ప్రశ్నలు సరిగా అర్థముకాకపోతే దాన్ని ఇంగ్లీషులో translate చేయించుకొని answer చేస్తే మాకు అభ్యంతరములేదు. అలాంటి ప్రశ్నలన్నిటికి " Notice " " Notice " అంటే, చివరకు, చెప్పటానికి సమాధానం ఉన్నను, supplementary questions వేయటానికి వీలులేకుండా జవాబు ఇస్తున్నారు. Supplementary questions వేయటానికి వీలు ఉందో లేదో అని questions అడుగుతున్నారు. మంత్రిగారి సమాధానము అంగీకరముగా ఉన్నట్లయితే supplementary questions ఉండవు. ఈ విషయములో Speaker గారు ఒక ruling యివ్వవలెనని కోరుతున్నాను. "

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have not followed Mr. Venkateswarlu."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" The Minister stated that if the hon. Member wants an answer to a specific question . . ."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I will put the question as well as the answer. He is raising a point of order, I believe, that the Minister should be compelled to answer supplementary questions and not ask for notice. He wants the answers to be given, and says the Minister cannot ask for notice and that he should even be compelled to answer in Telugu itself. That is the sum total, Sir."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" No, Sir; the point of order raised by Mr. Venkateswarlu is only this : The Minister certainly is entitled to ask for notice if he has not got the information, but the Minister replied, in this particular case, that if the Member was anxious to get an answer to a specific question, he should put a separate question. After all, the supplementary question has been allowed by the Speaker, and the Minister cannot take up this attitude."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" That is what I was also saying. I think it is quite clear to hon. Members who have experience of our rules that the supplementaries and the primaries are to elicit information, and there is no compulsion attached to it."

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MR. SPEAKER :—" I may straightaway tell the House that as far as the Chair is concerned, the Chair cannot take the responsibility for seeing that the question is answered. If the Member is not satisfied with the answer given, as I have been stating often in the last Assembly, he has his weapon in his own hands, i.e., during the Budget time."

House-rent allowance for the menial staff of Cannanore Municipality.

* 396 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government have received any memorandum on 9th September 1952 from the Municipal Mazdoor Sabha, Cannanore, for the grant of house-rent allowance to the menial staff of the Cannanore municipality, and if so, what steps the Government have taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Yes. The Government did not comply with the request."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the Cannanore Municipal Council has already passed a resolution recommending the grant of house-rent allowance to the menial staff, and in view of the fact that the Government have allowed house-rent allowance to all municipal employees except the menial staff, and in view also of the fact that the Hon. Minister once said in the Assembly that he would consider this question if the Municipal Council passed a resolution to that effect and that Government would not stand in the way, will the Hon. the Minister be pleased to reconsider this question and grant house-rent allowance to the menial staff when the Municipal Council itself has recommended the same? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Sir, the wages of the menials are regulated with reference to the prevailing local market rates. If the finances of the municipality are sound, the Government will consider the matter."

SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" May I know whether the Government are providing quarters to a section of the municipal employees, and if so, why not the Government grant house-rent allowance to those who are not provided with quarters? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI V. GOVINDASWAMI NAIDU :—" Will the Government reconsider the question of granting house-rent allowance to the menials of Municipal Councils considering their poverty and the present famine conditions prevailing in the State? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" This question relates to a particular Municipal Council, while the hon. Member wants a general answer in regard to all Municipal Councils. Let him put a separate question."